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# Big Reductions

On Our Entire Stock of Clothing.

Every Winter Suit and Overcoat at from 25 to 33 per cent off of our usual low prices.

Some Odds and Ends in Boys' and Children's Suits at less than half price.

Men's and Boys' Overcoats at prices that will move them quickly. The best ones go first, so don't delay your visit to inspect our stock.

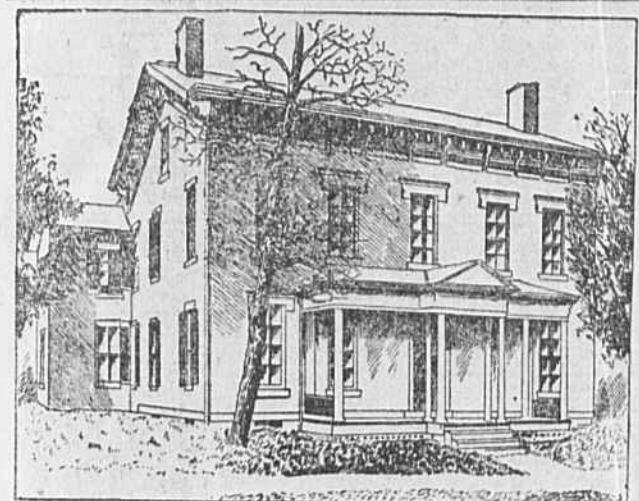
Mackintoshes at cost.

Large assortment of Storm Overcoats and Ulsters at very low prices.

Broken lots of Underwear at less than half price.

## M. Gutman & Co.

MAIN AND TWELFTH STREETS.



FOR SALE—A GOOD HOME.

Beautifully situated in Kirkwood, O. Twenty minutes from Wheeling postoffice. Corner lot, 100x100. 14 rooms. Brick, with slate roof, city water, gas, electric light, laundry and cellar. Good neighborhood. Convenient to churches and good school. Will be sold at a bargain.

ROLF & ZANE, No. 30 Fourteenth Street.

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## Great Reduction

### Chamber Suits.

During the dull season this month we offer a special inducement in our entire stock of all new styles of Bed Room Suits at greatly reduced prices. The following is a few of our best bargains:

Quartered Oak Suit, with 24x30 French pattern plate, full serpentine dresser and wash stand, former price \$33.00, only	\$25.00
\$28.00 Oak Cheval Suit, 18x40 bevel mirror, for	\$22.00
Good Antique Finish Suit for	\$12.50

All finer goods in oak, mahogany and walnut reduced proportionately. Your inspection is invited.

## Alexander Frew,

1208 MAIN STREET.

STANTON'S OLD CITY BOOK STORE.

We Have Some

### Broken Lots of Books

Left over from our unusually satisfactory Holiday Sale, and we invite those interested in PRIVATE OR PUBLIC LIBRARIES to come and see us. The variety is immense and all proper tastes can be gratified. Prices guaranteed to be less than those usually quoted by the largest dealers.

STANTON'S OLD CITY BOOK STORE.

NEW YEAR PRESENTS—JOHN FRIEDEL & CO.

## For New Year Presents

WE WILL HAVE BIG BARGAINS ON OUR SPECIAL COUNTER FOR THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

JOHN FRIEDEL & CO., 1119 MAIN STREET

"DIRT DEFIES THE KING." THEN

## SAPOLIO

IS GREATER THAN ROYALTY ITSELF.

## PROSPERITY HERE.

Comparative Statement Made by the Several Banks of

WHEELING AND THE OHIO-SIDE

TOWNS Shows a Most Satisfactory Increase in Deposits and Loans—No Previous Twelve Month Has Recorded Such a Remarkable Showing—Deposits in Wheeling Increased Over \$800,000 and Loans in Proportion—The Best Showing Bellaire Has Made in Ten Years.

Among other features of the New Year's Intelligence will be a compilation of figures secured from the banks of Wheeling, Martin's Ferry, Bridgeport and Bellaire, that will show just to what extent the period of prosperity and confidence has been reached in the community of Greater Wheeling.

Some difficulty was experienced in getting figures from the over-the-river banks, but the figures presented are the latest that could be obtained. In Wheeling every bank with one exception gave the information desired. The figures given for the exception are taken from statements made to the treasury department on call and are authentic. The figures for the Bellaire banks were received direct yesterday. Those for the Bridgeport banks are taken from the Bankers' Directory and the Martin's Ferry figures are estimated. This is the first time a comparison of this kind has been made, and there has been a great deal of interest among the bankers and others as to what the result would be. It was known that a handsome increase in loans and deposits would be shown, but there was no way in which to get at the figures unless a compilation was made by a newspaper, and this task has been successfully accomplished by the Intelligence, and the detailed tabulated statement will be printed in the New Year's (Saturday) Intelligence.

The footings were made last night, when the last of the thirteen banks of Wheeling had handed in its figures. The deposits showing is as follows:

DEPOSITS.	Dec., 1896.	Dec., 1897.	Increase.
Wheeling	\$3,511,851.79	\$4,391,465.26	\$879,613.47
Bridgeport	350,000.00	340,441.00	9,559.00
Bellaire	431,231.01	505,125.58	73,894.57
Martin's Ferry	400,000.00	500,000.00	100,000.00
Total	\$4,693,082.80	\$5,736,931.84	\$1,043,849.04
From the Bankers' Directory, December, 1896, September, 1897.			

An increase of \$879,613.47 for Wheeling and \$1,043,849.04 for the Greater Wheeling is indeed a remarkable showing, and tells most eloquently to what an extent the confidence of the public has been restored. Money that was hoarded in private vaults twelve months ago is now in the banks and therefore in use, for the loans of a bank are usually about the same in amount as the deposits.

The loans showing follows:

LOANS.	Dec., 1896.	Dec., 1897.	Increase.
Wheeling	\$5,408,022.28	\$6,018,456.52	\$610,434.24
Bridgeport	420,000.00	403,553.00	16,447.00
Bellaire	540,834.54	690,302.81	149,468.27
Martin's Ferry	400,000.00	400,000.00	0.00
Total	\$6,828,856.82	\$7,512,712.33	\$683,855.51
From the Bankers' Directory, December, 1896, September, 1897.			

That money locally is much easier than it was a year ago is shown by a comparison of these two tables. While deposits increased \$1,043,849.04, loans increased \$683,855.51. So far as the borrower of money is concerned this is a satisfactory condition.

### AT MARTIN'S FERRY.

There has been a wonderful improvement in business at the two banks in Martin's Ferry.

The People's Savings, of Martin's Ferry, of which Mr. Myron E. Cole is cashier, reports the volume of business one-third greater during 1897 than 1896. The authorized capital of this bank is \$50,000, the paid up capital \$25,000 and the surplus \$5,000.

The Commercial Bank, a private banking institution owned by Gray, Smith & Co., Martin's Ferry, is doing a much larger business now than one year ago, probably 25 or 30 per cent of an increase. There has been a decided improvement at this bank the past three or four months. Mr. George H. Smith is the cashier.

### GOOD YEAR AT BELLAIRE.

Bellaire closes one of the best years in the past decade with the windup of the business of 1897. Not only has the capacity of every industry in that town been increased, in some instances more than doubled, but new ones have been fairly started and will be in full operation early in the year. The capital invested in the various industrial enterprises there ranges between two and three millions of dollars and the output for 1897 was greater than in any one of the past ten years. Especially is this true of the latter part of the year. The local railroads are correct barometers of this and never in the history of the town has the present local business of the railroads been exceeded.

A comparison of the business of the local banks also shows a most healthful growth of their business. The First National Bank, the pioneer bank of that city, had at the close of business in 1896, capital stock, \$200,000; surplus, \$42,122; deposits, \$116,231.04; loans, \$128,834.54. At the close of business for December 28, 1897, they had capital stock, \$200,000; surplus, \$42,081.51; deposits, \$388,128.58; loans, \$446,302.81. The Dollar Savings Bank, had in 1896, capital, \$50,000; surplus, \$5,000; deposits, \$118,000; loans, \$112,000; profits, \$2,675. At the close of business for December 28, 1897 this bank had capital, \$50,000; surplus, \$5,000; deposits, \$129,000; loans, \$125,000; profits, \$3,750.

### THE BARBERS AGITATED

Over Question of Closing Shops Tomorrow—Up-town vs. South Side.

The barbers are now agitated over the question of closing their shops New Year's at noon for the rest of the day, and it looks as though the dissensions raised by the question will result injuriously to their union. The trouble dates back a few weeks ago when the barbers at their meeting decided on a half holiday for Christmas, but none for New Year's.

This decision wasn't received with open arms by the South Side, who claimed the up-town tonorial artists carried the day. The decision, however, was reached according to the rules of the union, while that of the dissidents reached one night this week at their meeting. It is claimed, was not legal. The journeymen barbers, also met this week, and decided to work until 12 o'clock to-night, and quit to-morrow at noon. The up-town barbers are determined to close their shops at 8 o'clock this evening as usual, and work all day to-morrow. The trade is greatly worked up over the matter, and it will be some time before the breach is healed. Future developments promise to be interesting.

### TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

GOLDEN Opportunity this week at Lukens & Co's.

### LOCAL BREVITIES.

Matters of Minor Moment in and about the City.

Grand to-night—"A Jay in New York." Dr. Downing, left yesterday for Piney Fork, in the Weitzel county oil fields, where he will operate on a man badly injured in a fight several days ago.

The Princeton glee and instrumental clubs, now on a concert tour, passed through the city on an east-bound special over the Baltimore & Ohio yesterday.

The funeral of Joseph W. Nicholls occurred yesterday afternoon, from the family home, near the city, and was largely attended. The interment was at Mount Wood cemetery.

According to a custom for some years past, the Woman's Union Benevolent Society will serve refreshments at the reception to be given at the Y. M. C. A. on New Year's day. Coffee, sandwiches and cake will be served from 4 to 8 o'clock.

The many friends of Mr. James Farrell's family, of South Main street, will regret to hear of the sad demise of his wife, who died yesterday morning after a long and sad illness. The bereaved husband and family have the sympathy of their friends in their hour of trial.

It has been announced that there would be market in the Fifth ward Friday morning, also in the evening, but several butchers, hucksters and produce men have decided not to attend Friday afternoon's market, but will attend Friday morning and Saturday evening, as usual.

### ABOUT PEOPLE

Strangers in the City and Wheeling People Abroad.

Hon. W. H. C. Curtis, of West Liberty, is in the city.

Prosecuting Attorney Kelly, of Braxton county, is in the city.

Miss Mary Gardner, of Steubenville, is visiting Mrs. John Frew.

John Stealey and J. F. Martin, of Sistersville, are registered at the Howell.

Dr. A. R. Warden, Jr., of Grafton, is visiting friends in this city and Benwood.

Harry L. McKown, the plumber, returned yesterday from a business trip to Pittsburgh.

Baltimore & Ohio Superintendent R. M. Sheats, of Grafton, was at the McClure yesterday.

Sam R. Nuzum, grand master workman of the A. O. U. W. of this state, is in the city on business.

Hon. G. R. R. Cockburn, of Toronto, is in the city on business, and is registered at the Windsor.

Miss Minnie Wood, of the Island, has returned home after a pleasant visit to her relatives in Allegheny, Pa.

Jesse Dixon was called to Parkersburg yesterday by reason of the critical condition of his grandmother, Mrs. Annie Dixon.

Charley Waddell has resigned his position as clerk at the McClure, and will go on the road for B. F. Horkheimer & Company, cigar dealers.

Judge M. H. Dent, of Grafton; C. E. Ward, of Charleston, and ex-Governor A. B. Fleming were in the city yesterday, to attend the O. S. Long funeral.

John Blon, who is in the portrait trade at Duluth, Minn., left yesterday after spending ten days visiting his parents, Hon. and Mrs. W. H. Blon, of the South Side.

Hon. and Mrs. H. F. Behrens leave to-morrow for a six months' tour of Europe, and their many friends wish them a pleasant journey and safe return.

B. R. Burt, of Columbus, editor of the Corner Stone, a prohibition paper, formerly published in this city, was in the city yesterday, registered at the Stamm.

F. B. Sankey, traveling passenger agent of the Pennsylvania line, and Robert Haase, Baltimore & Ohio passenger man at Newark, were in the city last night.

Railroad men in the city yesterday included, S. A. Myers, of Pittsburgh, Union Pacific passenger agent; J. C. Dietz, of Cincinnati, Santa Fe line passenger agent, and Delano Luce, of Pittsburgh, Great Northern district passenger agent.

### On New Year's Night.

The entertainment at the Carroll Club New Year's night promises to be a fine amateur performance. The pieces will be presented by the following capable casts:

"Turn Him Out" (Farce in One Act). Nicodemus Nobbs.....John J. Coniff  
Mr. Mackintosh Mokes.....Geo. J. Mathison  
Eglantine Roseleaf.....Charles Swan  
Julia Mokes' wife.....Miss Clara Wingerter  
Susan, a maid-of-all-work.....Miss Louise Montague

"Toodles" (Comedy in Two Acts). Charles Fenton.....James Higgins  
Farmer Acorn.....Walter Cochran  
Timothy Toodles.....A. T. Ray  
Lawyer Glib.....Vincent Owens  
Farmer Fenton.....Edward Hughes  
Mary Acorn.....Miss Mary Ray  
Mrs. Tabitha Toodles.....Miss Nora O'Brien

### Holy Communion Service.

There will be an interesting service at St. Matthew's P. E. church to-night, beginning at 11:45 o'clock, and the edifice will be crowded. The Christmas music in its entirety will be repeated, after which the holy communion services will be gone through.

WORD comes from all quarters that the nearest and most satisfactory dye for coloring the beard a brown or black is Buckingham's Dye for the Whiskers.

No Change of Cars Between Wheeling and California.

Every Thursday a Pullman Tourist Sleeping Car, personally conducted, leaves the Baltimore & Ohio station, at 10:25 a. m. and runs through to Los Angeles and San Francisco without change. The route is via Cincinnati, Louisville and New Orleans.

For tickets, berths and full information, apply to T. C. BURKE, Passenger and Ticket Agent, Wheeling, W. Va.

### Holiday Rates.

For the Christmas and New Years Holidays the Ohio River Railroad will sell excursion tickets from all ticket offices to local stations on its line at ONE FARE for the round trip. Tickets on sale December 24, 25 and 31, 1897, and January 1, 1898, with return limit January 4, 1898.

### DIED.

LANTZ—At his home, South York street, on Thursday afternoon, December 28, 1897, at 4:20 o'clock, MARSH R. LANTZ, aged 21 years.

Funeral notice hereafter.

FARRELL—On Thursday, December 30, 1897, at 8:30 o'clock a. m., MARY, wife of James Farrell, aged 51 years.

Funeral notice hereafter.

(Pittsburgh papers please copy.)

### UNDERTAKING.

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Funeral Director and

Arterial Embalmer.

1117 Main Street, West Side. Calls by Telephone Answered Day or Night. Store Telephone 625. Residence, 206. Assistant's Telephone, 626.

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## TO SAVE TIME

At Stocktaking Next Week,

We have marked down our entire stock 25 per cent. This is the most sweeping reduction we have ever made, and it means exactly what we say. We still have many choice articles in

## CLOTHING AND FURNISHINGS.

Our usual guarantee goes with every purchase.

## KRAUS BROS.,

WHEELING'S FOREMOST CLOTHIERS,

STRICTLY ONE PRICE.

1319 MARKET STREET.

AFTER THE BATTLE—D. GUNDLING & CO.

## "After the Battle."

The remnants of last week's fray consist of some Boys' Coats in various shades, black, drab and brown, all of them \$10.00 and \$12.00, now

\$5.00.

Just a few Men's Overcoats, mostly large sizes, \$10.00 and \$12.00, now

\$5.00.

Belated Overcoat Buyers are advised to call QUICK. At these ridiculous prices they will find homes on somebody's back before NEW YEAR.

## D. GUNDLING & CO.,

Star Clothiers and Furnishers,

84 AND 86 TWELFTH STREET.

CLOAKS AND SUITS—GEO. R. TAYLOR CO.

## Holiday Specialties This Week!

Heading the list of innumerable FANCY as well as PRACTICAL articles is our

## Cloak and Suit Department.

The economical prices for holiday trading prove very interesting for buyers. Dress Goods Department is open for your selection. Prices speak very emphatically here. Pattern Dresses all reduced, ranging from \$1.69 up to the finest Imported Novelties.

Furs, Alaska Seal Jackets, Capes, Collarettes,

Scarfs, in Mink, Beaver, Marten, Seal, Etc

Embroidered Linen Handkerchiefs, Gentlemen's Silk Handkerchiefs, Fancy and Black Hosiery, Silk Skirts, Centemeri Kid Gloves, Kid Mitts, Silk Negligee Gowns, Silk and Mull Scarfs, Silk Waists, Mohair Waists, Flannel Waists, Flannel Wrappers, Table Linens in Hemmed and Stitched Sets, Pattern Cloths, Napkins, Tray Cloths, Scarfs, etc., Hemstitched Towels, Infants' Saques, Infants' Mitts, Kid Shoes, Elder Down Pillows, Elder Down Comforts, Screens in great variety, Lace Curtains, Portieres, Silk Umbrellas, White Aprons, Dr. Jaeger's Underwear, Feather Boas.

ART DEPARTMENT OPENING CONTINUED THIS WEEK.

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RESTORED MANHOOD DR. MOTT'S NERVE-PILLS

The great remedy for nervous prostration and all nervous diseases of the reproductive organs of either sex, such as Nervous Prostration, Prolapsed Uterus, Neuritis, Impotency, Nightly Emissions, Youthful Errors, Mental Weakness, Loss of Memory, Loss of Power, which lead to Consumption and Insanity. With every \$2.00 order we give a written guarantee to cure or refund the money. Sold at \$1.00 per box. 6 boxes for \$5.00. DR. J. C. MOTT & CO., CLEVELAND, OHIO.

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Overcoats to order, \$15.00 up.

Pants to order, \$4.00 up.

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